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SUBJECT: SUDAN/CPA: AEC CHAIR ON ABYEI, MID-TERM REPORT,
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- 11. (C/NF) Summary. Assessment and Evaluation Commission (AEC) Chair Sir Derek Plumbly is cautiously optimistic about the Abyei Roadmap and re
- 12. (C) U.S. S/E Williamson's talks with the SPLM and NCP in the wake of the Abyei crisis were a "good catalyst" and his "departure" provided t
- 13. (C/NF) On the hesitation of some countries (like Canada) to accept the Abyei Roadmap under the pretense that it was not true to the letter
- 14. (C) The key, however, was appointment of the interim administration, especially the deputy. Sir Derek thought the NCP would be willing to On the Mid-Term Evaluation -----
- 15. (C) Describing his July 9 meeting with President Bashir to discuss the AEC's mid-term evaluation, Sir Derek said Bashir had specifically li The AEC's Focus -----

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- 16. (C) Turning to the AEC's post mid-term evaluation focus, Sir Derek said he was going to try and capitalize on the momentum created by the a
- 17. (SBU) Sir Derek also plans to sort out the AEC's staffing. He is particularly keen to get staff in Juba as soon as possible and mentioned Comment -----
- 18. (C/NF) HMG is pleased with Sir Derek's performance as AEC Chair thus far, particularly his intervention in helping bring the census back or